

South Carolina Association Governmental Purchasing Officials

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- Project Initiation and Planning



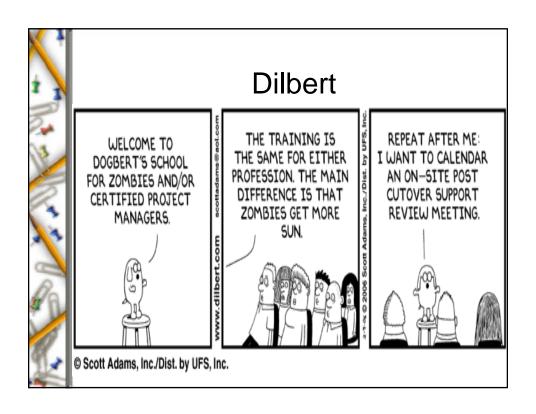


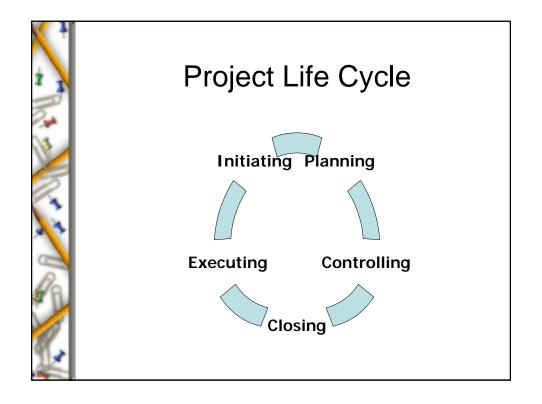
PROJECT

 A Project is a temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product, service or result.

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Six Phases of a Project

- 1. Enthusiasm
- 2. Disillusionment
- 3. Panic
- 4. Search for the Guilty
- 5. Punishment of the Innocent
- Praise and Honors for the Non-Participants



Nine Knowledge Areas

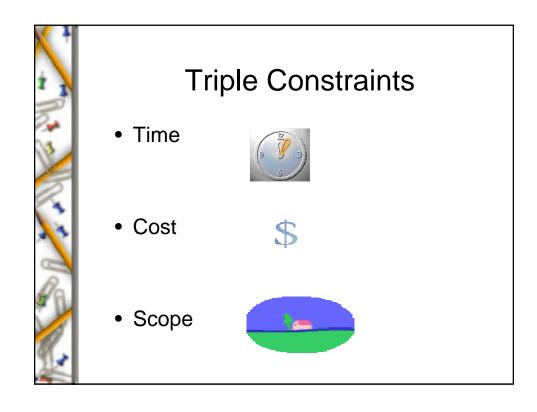
- 1. Integration Management
- 2. Scope Management
- 3. Time Management
- 4. Cost Management
- 5. Quality Management
- 6. Human Resource Management
- 7. Communications Management
- 8. Risk Management
- 9. Procurement Management



Code of Conduct

- Accurate and truthful
- Conflict of interest
- Confidentiality
- Inappropriate payments







Initiating the Project

- Project should be selected on:
 - Feasibility
 - Knowledge availability
 - Risk
 - Merit
 - Impact to organization
 - Cost
 - ROI



Initiation Phase

- Formal process recognize a new project
- · Stakeholders are identified
- · Commitment is obtained





Project Initiation Cycle

• Decision Making Cycle





Project Charter

- Formal Authorization of a Project
 - Stakeholders
 - Project Objectives
 - High Level Requirements
 - Sponsor Sign Off





Stakeholder Analysis

Who gets the reward and benefits

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Who suffers the consequences

- 7

Who provides the input

?

Who gets the output

?



Objectives

- Specific
- Measurable
- Agreed to
- Realistic
- Time constrained
 - Review with key stakeholders!





Requirements

- Gather the information
- Review and analyze the information
- Document the requirements
- Obtain approval!





Requirements vs "Desirements"

- AVOID
 - Unclear requirements
 - Immeasurable objectives
 - Abstract benefits
- DO
 - List requirements by priorities
 - Evaluate risk
 - Align with business objectives





Sign-Off

- Present to project sponsor
- Clarify any misunderstandings
- Revise as necessary
- Obtain approval





Project Initiation

• Role Exercise





Project Plan

- CONTAINS:
 - Project charter
 - Work breakdown structure
 - Formal change control plan
 - Milestones
 - Responsibility matrix
 - Project team
 - Detailed communications plan

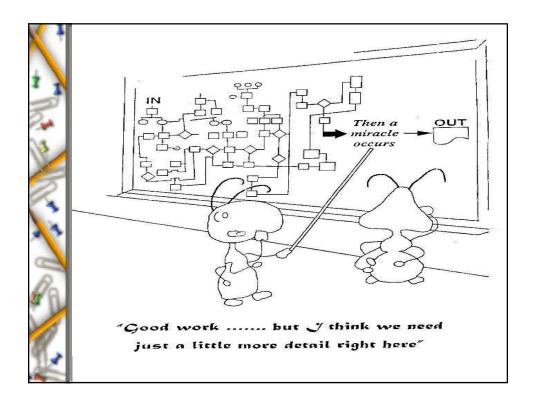




Work Breakdown Structure

- Defines the TOTAL scope of the project
- All the work necessary to complete objectives and ONLY that work







Benefits of a WBS

- Project team building
- Control scope
- Defines roles and responsibilities



Gantt Chart						
ID		Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	Mar 5, '06
-	0	WOLTHIC A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL OVER SEAL	O dava	Thu 3/9/06	Thu 3/9/06	SMT
<u>'</u>		WRITING A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL OVER \$50k	0 days			-
2		Agency send requisition to ITMO	1 day?		Thu 3/9/06	-
3		ITMO assigns requisition to procurement manager	1 day?		Fri 3/10/06	188
4		ITMO procurement manager writes SLA	1 day?	Mon 3/13/06	Mon 3/13/06	
5		Agency approves SLA	1 day?	Tue 3/14/06	Tue 3/14/06	
6		ITMO builds solitation	5 days	Wed 3/15/06	Tue 3/21/06	
7		ITMO post solitation	1 day?	Wed 3/22/06	Wed 3/22/06	
8		Solitation Q&A	10 days	Thu 3/23/06	Wed 4/5/06	
9		ITMO post amendment to Q&A	1 day?	Thu 4/6/06	Thu 4/6/06	
10		ITMO opens solitation	16 days	Fri 4/7/06	Fri 4/28/06	
11		ITMO conducts evaluation panel briefing	7 days	Mon 5/1/06	Tue 5/9/06	
12		Evaluation panel reviews the proposals	10 days	Wed 5/10/06	Tue 5/23/06	
13		Evaluation panel scores the proposals	1 day?	Wed 5/24/06	Wed 5/24/06	
14		Vendor demo from high ranking offers	5 days	Thu 5/25/06	Wed 5/31/06	
15		Evaluation panel final scoring	3 days	Thu 6/1/06	Mon 6/5/06	
16		ITMO negotiation offer with highest ranked offer	5 days	Tue 6/6/06	Mon 6/12/06	
17		ITMO issues intent to award statement	1 day?	Tue 6/13/06	Tue 6/13/06	
18		Intent statement becomes a contract	16 days	Wed 6/14/06	Wed 7/5/06	



Project Schedule

- List all activities and their anticipated duration
 - Must be realistic
 - Available resources/effort
 - Constraints must be reviewed





Controlling Change

Plan early



- Change can be beneficial
- Have a formal change management system



Milestones

- Define most important milestones
 - Review with project team
 - Report current status
- Identify milestones with greatest risk
 - What are the dependencies
 - Monitor schedule
- Obtain Acceptance





Responsibility Matrix

- Relates the scope of work to an individual
 - Role
 - Responsibility
 - Reporting relationship





Team

- Support from upper management
- Commitment to achieve project's goals
- Clear expectations
- Required skills and knowledge



Team Building

- Brainstorming
- Group Think
- Personality Preferences and Motivation





Team Building

- Positive
 - Interesting and stimulating
 - Recognition of accomplishment
 - Personal growth potential
- Barriers
 - Unclear project objectives
 - Shifting goals and priorities
 - Power struggle and conflict





Communications Plan

Who

What ?

How ?



Effective Communication

- Do
 - Get feedback
 - Hold effective meetings
 - Report honestly
- Don't
 - Assume
 - Manage by memo
 - Hold back information

